

Hamvention bound

For the first time, I'll be driving up for Hamvention in May. I'm attending as a member of the press and my current thinking is to attempt a number of short-form audio interviews with interesting orgs, Hams, vendors, etc., which will be posted both here in the newsletter and on the [daily site](#). I'm also having stickers made up, so hunt me down if you'd like one. Hope to see you there!

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[2024 ARRL Field Day Theme: Be Radio Active](#)

The theme encourages Radio Amateurs to take advantage of the peak of Solar Cycle 25.
[ARRL](#)

[Installing VARA on Debian 12 Linux](#)

I thought it best to document it here, and maybe help another poor lost soul.
[The Modern Ham](#)

[QLog](#)

A cross-platform logging app with rig control, cluster, WSJT-X support, and more.
[OK1MLG](#)

[Girl Scouts gear up to talk to International Space Station](#)

Here's how they'll do it.
[The Sacramento Bee](#)

[My ATU is soooo good, it will give a perfect match on anything](#)

Even without an antenna connected.
[owenduffy.net](#)

[CATS APRS alternative featured on Hackaday](#)

CATS uses raw FSK rather than the inefficient AFSK used by APRS.
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[Low band VHF tests in Western Australia](#)

The frequencies were 30.8761 MHz , 36.6073 MHz, 39.1467 MHz and 40.6864 MHz.

[EI7GL](#)

[How I do it: A complete POTA activation from start to finish](#)

Watch me, in real time, as I deploy an end fed half wave antenna, set up my station on a picnic table, and do a QRP (5 watt) POTA activation on the 15 meter band.

[KB8VBR](#)

[Handmade QSLs from the 1930s](#)

Hams would purchase post cards from the post office (only a penny each, including postage!) and create their own designs.

[KB6NU](#)

[Source of major RFI identified](#)

You may note that it is at least 5,9+10dB.

[Johnsons Techworld](#)

[APRS RX comparison](#)

Anytone 878 vs Yaesu FT-5DR.

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Video

[Portable DIY adjustable 2m J-Pole](#)

Peel and stick some metal tape on a strap, cut out a J-Pole pattern.

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